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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of  
HESSE et al. )      **BOX PCT**  
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PCT/EP 03/06100 )  
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Filed: June 11, 2003 )  
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For: TWO-STAGE PROCESS FOR PREPARING BUTANEDIOL WITH  
INTERMEDIATE REMOVAL OF SUCCINIC ANHYDRIDE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows: